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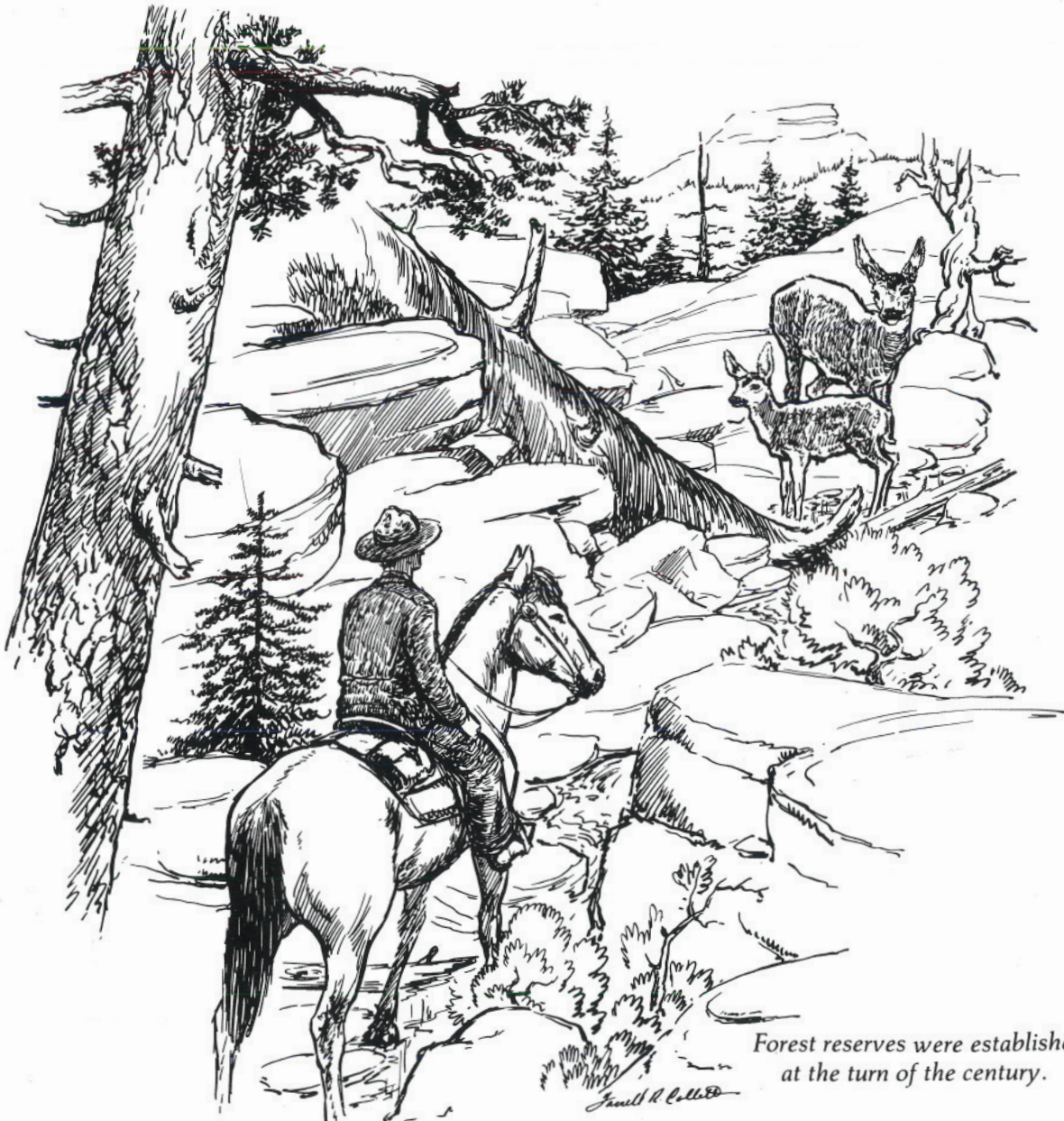
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at the turn of the century.

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Welcome, Three Illinois Chapters!

Great Logan Encampment

Nauvoo Dedicates Pioneer Marker





*W. Phil Robbins and wife, Bernice.*

As the new SUP fiscal year begins, the responsibility for the success of the Society falls upon the shoulders of a new group of officers.

As your new President, I grasp this opportunity to express my thanks and my greetings to all members and their wives, wherever they may be, and to issue a challenge and a promise.

The challenge is to each member to become involved in the activities and programs of SUP.

The promise is that if each member will become involved, we will have the happiest, most successful year SUP has ever known, and also a promise that I, and your other officers, will make every effort to provide the leadership needed to present meaningful and desirable programs in which you may, and will want to become involved.

## The President's Message

My challenge to each member would include:

- A. Each member be responsible for bringing into the SUP at least one new member during the year, thus doubling our membership and our friendships.
- B. Each chapter be responsible for organizing at least one new chapter, expanding the organization to other communities and other states, thus expanding our friendships and fields of endeavor.
- C. Each member become involved in our efforts to obtain a new home, where we may meet and greet (and also eat) in our own building.
- D. Each member become involved in instigating new projects, as well as the development and completion of present ones.

We have just completed a very successful encampment at the USU campus in Logan, for which I offer my heartfelt thanks and commendation to the officers and members of the sponsoring Temple Fork and Box Elder chapters for a good job well done.

As this article goes to press, some 80 members and wives are returning from a thrilling experience of organization and dedication in Illinois, where on August 18th three new chapters of the SUP were chartered in Peoria and Champaign/Urbana, and where on August 19th a beautiful memorial flagpole and monument were presented to the Church and dedicated to the Lord in memory of those brave men and women who, driven from their homes by the mobs, crossed the wide Mississippi from the spot on which the flagpole was erected, to start their journey in search of a new home.

May the spirit of "doing" displayed by our beloved ancestors be exhibited by each member of SUP and may we each follow the admonition of our Prophet as so boldly displayed on the sign on his desk, "DO IT".



*President Robbins' family: seated, wife Bernice, standing, l to r - daughter Suzanne R. Kennedy and her husband Edwin J. Kennedy, Phil Robbins, son Peter L. Robbins, grandson Todd Kennedy and Todd's wife Larraine. Three other children were unable to be present. They are Patsy Havey and Cherie R. Brown who live in California. A son Michael completes the children. Phil and Bernice have 17 grandchildren.*



*Guest speaker Reed Bullen and wife as they appeared at the President's Banquet.*



**A Dramatic Setting**

# Logan Proved to be Ideal Center for 1978 SUP Encampment

The annual SUP gathering for 1978 convened in the midst of the famous American West Festival on the USU campus August 3 - 5 in a genuine pioneer atmosphere which involved the entire community.

Co-hosts for the gala SUP convention were the Temple Fork and Box Elder chapters. The efficient committee members were D. Wesley Reese, Verl L. Petersen and Merlin Kendrick.

Dr. Oliver R. Smith, national SUP president, conducted the board meeting, general business session and the grand banquet and ball.

**ELECTION WINNERS**

W. Phil Robbins received the presidents pin from Oliver R. Smith which signified the start of his term of responsibility. Ken G. Wiseman became the new pres.-elect. Vice presidents on the national board included Sylvester C. Anderson representing the Cache area, Verl L. Petersen of Box Elder, Robert Jackson of Weber, R. Clay Allred of North Salt Lake, Everett Call and Glen Greenwood of South Salt Lake, Grant Ekins of Central Utah, Edwin Cox of Southern Utah, Dr. Evan K. Perkins of California and Col. Elmer B. Jones representing the Mormon Battalion.

**AWARD RECIPIENTS**

The awards committee made the following selections:

The outstanding chapter recognition went to East Mill Creek, with John J. Nielsen as president. The outstanding couple plaque was presented to Sylvester and Arlene Anderson of the Temple Fork chapter. Past national president Adolph Johnson received the outstanding individual award.

John J. Nielsen won a plaque for his efforts in bringing in new members. Past national presidents Oliver R. Smith, Ray Knell and Wesley Reese received special awards. These were all popular selections with the assembled audience in the USU ballroom.

**SPECIAL SPEAKER**

Reed Bullen was guest speaker at the banquet. He is the Logan Temple president, and a former member of the Utah State legislature. The food was from the popular Utah State University smorgasbord. Dancing followed the banquet.

The SUP membership at the annual business meeting voted to hold the next encampment in the pioneer Escalante area.

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**Message of Appreciation****HIGHLIGHTS of the YEAR REVIEWED***by Oliver R. Smith, past president SUP*

With the completion of my term of office in August, I wish to acknowledge with appreciation the effective service of our officers and members which made possible the progress of SUP during 1977-78.



*Pres. Oliver R. Smith receives congratulations from his wife Barbara after he was presented with the special services plaque at Logan Encampment.*

One of the fine developments was the launching of the Canyon Rim Heritage Chapter in Salt Lake City with a record number of charter members. This was a tribute to the sponsorship by the East Mill Creek Chapter, the outstanding unit of the year, and its energetic president, John J. Nielsen. Groundwork was also laid by Phil Robbins for the establishment of three new chapters in Illinois whose chartering was not completed until August.

**TWO MONUMENTS**

Two fine monument projects were completed during the year. On Feb. 24 a Mormon Battalion trail monument was dedicated on the highway west of El Centro, California by two busloads of S.U.P. representatives in cooperation with local LDS and Mormon Battalion leaders. On the same trek the group "showed the flag" effectively by marching with the Tucson members in the Fiesta de los Vaqueros parade.

The second project was the erection of a flagpole which was dedicated on August 19 by Elder Mark E. Petersen together with the Mormon Pioneer Trail marker at Nauvoo, Ill. Another two-bus contingent of trekkers participated in this event

and the Illinois chapters' chartering on August 18, with leadership by Elmer B. Jones, W. Phil Robbins, and John J. Nielsen. We thank all who responded with special donations for the flagpole.

**RAILROAD MUSEUM**

Our appreciation goes also to Verl Petersen and his committees for the successful facelifting and operation of the Railroad Museum at Corinne during the past season. This was the Society's first year of responsibility for this facility, a gift to SUP from the late Horace A. Sorensen.

As your national officers take over their duties on the executive board, let us all give enthusiastic support to their leadership in another year of growth and service by the Society.

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*Shauna and Joseph R. Larsen, genial hosts at Champaign, Illinois. She is the granddaughter of Pres. George Albert Smith. He is Stake President.*



*President Phil Robbins presides at chapter organization.*



*Joseph T. Woolley was selected as a vice president to the national board of SUP.*



## Three Illinois Chapters Organized Same Day An All-time SUP Record

With the Support of seventy Utah people, SUP President W. Phil Robbins conducted the inauguration of three new chapters at a banquet in Champaign, Illinois on Friday, August 18, 1978. It was also the first time that groups had been established east of Utah.

The "Heart of Illinois" chapter from the Morton-Peoria area selected D.C. Young as president, Ken Guyer as pres.-elect and Ed Wall as sec.-treasurer.

Elected as officers of the Bloomington chapter were Ben R. Trent, president, LeGrand Poor, pres.-elect and James Tandy as sec.-treasurer.

The Champaign-Urbana group chose as president, Paul Fitzgerald. For president-elect it was Don Long, while Ron Kloepfer was elected as sec.-treasurer.

Joseph Woolley was elected as national vice president to represent the Illinois area on the national SUP board of directors.

### DR. JOSEPH R. LARSEN

Cooperating with SUP in making arrangements was Stake President Joseph R. Larsen Ph.D., vice chancellor of the University of Illinois. Still another claim to fame is the fact that Dr. Larsen is the brother of Phil Robbins' wife, Bernice.

SUP officials attending the charter meeting in Champaign included Phil Robbins, and 4 past national presidents; Oliver R. Smith, Adolph Johnson, Verl L. Dixon and Milt Backman. Other board members present were: John J. Nielsen (executive secretary), Elmer B. Jones (vice president), and Marvin E. Smith (editor of *The Pioneer* magazine).

The Utah visitors were excited to meet the friendly neighbors in Illinois.

Following the beautiful musical numbers on the program and best wishes to the newly elected officers, the memorable charter meeting was concluded with a benediction by Patriarch Ed Ashton at 11:15 p.m.

### TREK COMMITTEE

Special thanks are due Col. Elmer B. Jones, John J. Nielsen, and Pres. W. Phil Robbins for making the arrangements and reservations for the two busloads of Utah people who enjoyed the tour to Illinois. Assisting with entertainment enroute were Carl Quist and Fred Newson.

The buses left the next day for Nauvoo where the group attended the Monument dedication by Elder Mark E. Petersen. They then viewed the excellent pageant that evening which was named the "City of Joseph".

Other points of interest included Winter Quarters Cemetery and the Herbert Hoover Museum in Nebraska. On Sunday, August 20, the group went to Sacrament Meeting in Des Moines, Iowa.



Officers of the "Heart of Illinois" chapter include: D. C. Young as president, Ken Guyer as pres.-elect and Ed Wall as secy-treasurer.



Leaders of the Champaign-Urbana chapter are: Pres. Paul Fitzgerald, Pres.-elect Don Long and Secy-treasurer Ron Kloepfer.

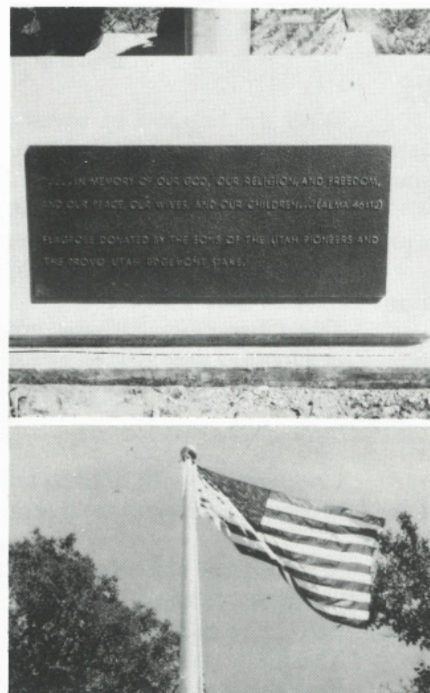
(Pictures are not yet available for the Bloomington chapter.)



**SUP Donates Flagpole**

Part of the color guard, U.S. Mormon Battalion, who raised the stars and stripes for the first time on the new donated flagpole at Nauvoo. Left to right are Lt. Col. Oliver R. Smith, Lt. Bill Erickson, Major Verl Dixon and Lt. Howard Litchfield.

*Nauvoo flag pole dedicated  
19 August 1978*



The bronze plaque at the base of the pole reads: "... in memory of our God, our religion, and freedom, and our peace, our wives, and our children ..." (Alma 46:12)

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## ELDER MARK E. PETERSEN DEDICATES MONUMENT AT ORIGIN OF MORMON TRAIL



*Photogenic Barbara Smith, General President of Relief Society, unveiled the "Exodus to Greatness" monument.*



*Wendell J. Ashton speaks at luncheon. He is a former national president of the SUP. Besides serving as publisher of the Deseret News, he is president of the Salt Lake area Chamber of Commerce.*

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Two bus-loads of enthusiastic SUP members and partners attended and supported the beautiful and impressive dedicatory services at Nauvoo, Illinois on Saturday, August 19.

"Exodus to Greatness" was the title given to the bronze plaque on the monument. Relief Society General President Barbara Smith unveiled the structure just prior to its dedication. Sculptor was Lyle W. Beddes of Salt Lake City.

Elder Petersen reported that more than 50,000 freedom-seeking pioneers crossed the plains to Salt Lake Valley before the railroad was completed on May 10, 1869. Under Brigham Young they founded more than 350 communities in the Rocky Mountains.

Uniformed members of the Mormon Battalion raised the flag on the new pole which had been donated by SUP. A crowd of 1200 attended the outdoor ceremonies. Congressman Thomas E. Railsback of Illinois paid tribute to the early Mormon Pioneers.

### LUNCHEON MEETING

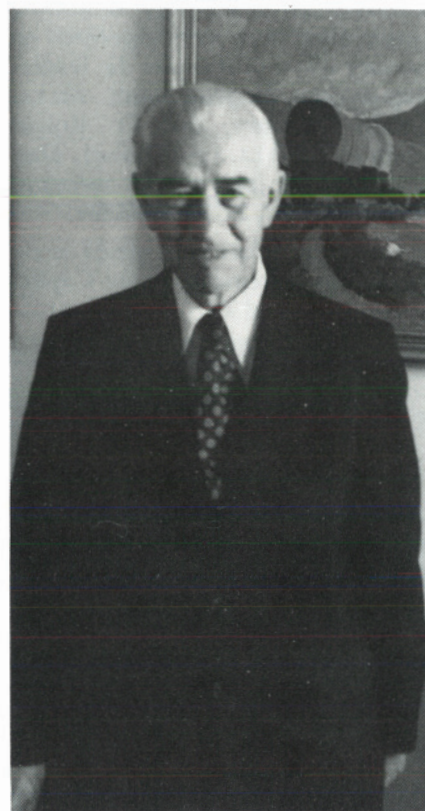
Dr. LeRoy Kimball, president, Nauvoo Restoration, Inc. also conducted and spoke at an earlier gathering where church and government officials attended. Wendell J. Ashton, publisher of the *Deseret News* and president of the Salt Lake area Chamber of Commerce, expressed appreciation to the SUP and members of the Provo Edgemont Stake for erecting a flagpole beside the new marker. Three mayors were present, and exchanged gifts. The men were Ted L. Wilson, Salt Lake City, Walter H. Pierce Jr., Nauvoo, and Lee Huston of Carthage.

Representing the Governor of Illinois was Robert P. Goss who is director of the office of Manpower and Human Development.

President Spencer W. Kimball sent large lithographed maps of the Pioneer Trail to the officials in attendance.

### "CITY OF JOSEPH" PAGEANT

Then the SUP trekkers had opportunity to visit the Temple site and several restored pioneer buildings prior to viewing the array of beauti-



*Elder Mark E. Petersen honors the Mormon Pioneers.*

ful statuary near the Visitors Center. Following an appetizing dinner, all attended the beautiful third annual pageant: "City of Joseph". It was written by R. Don Oscarson of St. Louis and was thoroughly appreciated by the large crowd assembled in the outdoor amphitheater.



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## NEW BATTALION UNIT ALREADY BUSY IN PUBLIC SERVICE

Company B of the Mormon Battalion has had a very interesting season since they were organized on January 27, 1978 under the leadership of Capt. Eugene Smith, 1st Lt. Gerald Sorensen, 2nd Lt. Robert Smith and 2nd Lt. Fred Linford. They have enjoyed their regular meetings as well as many other activities.

Company B has participated in the flag raising ceremony at the Capitol Building, joined Co. D at a parade

in Smithfield, marched in the 4th of July parade in Sandy, assisted in the flag raising at Temple Square on July 24th and also assisted in the parade at Lagoon's Pioneer Village.

Co. B is looking forward to an interesting fall season, and invites new members.

Their regular meetings are held on the fourth Friday of each month in the Sandy Bicentennial Park Bldg. at 6:30 p.m.



*From left to right: Robert Smith, Gerald Sorensen, Ralph Muir and Eugene Smith.*

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## Annual Mormon Battalion Day on October 14

The regular annual meeting of the Mormon Battalion, with their friends and partners will be held October 14, at 6 p.m. for the banquet and military ball.

Guest speaker will be U.S. Congressman Dan Marriott. Other invited guests include: Elder Mark E. Petersen, Emma Olson, DUP president, and W. Phil Robbins SUP president.

A business meeting will be held at 3 p.m. for the men to consider amendments to the constitution. Election of officers will also be held.

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# Days of '47 Filled with SUP & Battalion Activities

Among the many services performed by the Sons during the Days of '47 was the Sunrise Service at the Salt Lake Tabernacle on July 24 where Elder L. Tom Perry spoke to an audience of 5000. This choice meeting is sponsored annually by the Pioneer chapter SUP. Kenneth M. Smith is president with Larry L. Anderson as program chairman.

Musical selections were provided by the Salt Lake Institute Choir with Paul A. Hanks as musical director.

The traditional posting of the colors and pledge of allegiance was performed by the uniformed Mormon Battalion with Col. Elmer B. Jones in charge.

## BIG PARADE

Arrangements to have SUP-MB represented in the best parade yet, were made by Chairman Adolph Johnson of the national board. Leading the unit were Chaplain Eldred G. Smith and President Oliver R. Smith astride two beautiful saddle horses furnished by Jack Shaw, Ogden. Next came a sturdy pioneer wagon with about five couples of the national board.

Incidentally, the Sweepstakes winning float of the parade depicts the Mormon Battalion's longest march. It was built and entered by the Butler Third Ward.

## LAGOON IS ALIVE

Through the cooperation of Boyd F. Jensen, manager of Lagoon Corporation, KSL and ZCMI furnished the food for a pancake breakfast at the resort. It was served and prepared by the South Davis chapter without cost to the visitors.

The US Mormon Battalion raised the flag and then paraded down the main street of Pioneer Village to the Village Green, where people had gathered to hear Patriarch Eldred G. Smith speak on a pioneer theme. Master of ceremonies was Adolph Johnson.



*Pres. Oliver R. Smith is in the saddle for July 24 parade, following Chaplain Eldred G. Smith.*



*Boyd Jensen, manager of Lagoon Corp., Elder Eldred G. Smith, speaker on Pioneer Day, and Adolph Johnson, chairman of Day's of '47 SUP committee.*

## EMC CHAPTER FEATURES SUMMER ACTIVITIES

At Lagoon July 17, 1978 the membership of the East Mill Creek Chapter held a birthday party - its 23rd year. The first dinner meeting was held in March 1955 with a charter meeting following in July of 1955.

Two items highlighted the Lagoon meeting. Lorenzo J. Bates eulogized past members of the chapter that had passed on - some twenty-one in number. The featured speaker for the occasion was Wendell J. Ashton, publisher of the Deseret News, who outlined the part that W. W. Phelps had played as the first public relation representative of the Church and the first publisher of the *Times and Seasons*. He was eulogized as a gifted writer of eighteen or more of our popular church hymns.

High point of the summer's activities will be the outdoor dinner to be held in connection with the new Canyon Rim Heritage Chapter. This chapter of sixty-six members is the largest chapter ever to be organized in the past twenty-five years. This meeting to be held on August 29th, 1978 features the Alvin G. Pack family and their presentation of "Courageous Women of Nauvoo". The dinner at this occasion was hosted by Richard B. Kennedy with the Pioneer Fact given by Mary Kennedy.

Seventeen SUP membership couples attended the 1978 Encampment at Logan, an occasion enjoyed by all for its variety and pioneer interest.

For the flag pole dedication at Nauvoo, to be held August 19th 1978, seven couples from the EMC chapter will be in attendance. They are John and Louise Nielsen, Carl and Helen Quist, Elmer and Eva Yates, Ronald and Amy Amundsen, Oscar and Naomi Ekbert, Leonard and Iva Dean Kjar, Gerald and Helen McKell. (Plus 8 couples - Friends EMC Members)

We salute the EMC Chapter for its able leadership and well-planned summer activities.

E. Kay Kirkham  
Chapter reporter



**Outstanding Couple for 1978****Sylvester Charles and Arlene Larsen Anderson**

On December 21, 1977, Sylvester and Arlene Anderson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, having been married in the Logan Temple on December 21, 1927. They met some eighteen months earlier when both were students at the Brigham Young College, which was located in Logan. Their entire married life together has been spent in carrying on the rich heritage which they received from their pioneer ancestors.

Sylvester C. Anderson was born in Millville, Utah, on May 12, 1905. He was the second child and first son of Charles C. and Hidvie Neilsen Anderson. A third generation Mormon, he was blessed with hard working and industrious parents. Sylvester's father was a skilled carpenter and farmer, and taught his sons those same skills. Many of the barns and homes in the Cache Valley area were constructed by Sylvester and his father.

**ENJOYED OUTDOORS**

Sylvester developed a love of nature and animals as a young man. His family held grazing rights in the Cache National forests. It became his job to take the cattle to the mountains, keep them in the assigned area, make sure there was water and salt available and then bring them back in the fall. These tasks required several rides on horseback through the mountains each summer. Sylvester became a skilled rider and horseman, a sport which he still loves, even though an accident in 1968 makes it impossible for him to spend much time in the saddle.

**MAN OF MANY TALENTS**

Though times were hard and money was scarce, Sylvester was able to obtain a good education. He graduated from South Cache High School where he participated in athletics, particularly in football, baseball and track. He also was active in drama, singing and other extra-curricular activities. After high school, he attended Brigham Young College, where he again was active in sports, lettering in both football and track. He was one of the best in his specialties in track, and won most of his races in the 880 yard and mile run. While attending Brigham Young College he met Arlene Larsen.

**ARLENE - A CAPABLE ORGANIST**

Arlene Larsen was born in Clifton, Idaho, the oldest child of William E. Larsen and Dora May Davis. Arlene is also a third generation Mormon and enjoys a rich pioneer



*A favorite choice for SUP couple of the year: Arlene and Sylvester Anderson.*

heritage. Her father was a farmer and sheepman. As a young girl, she was taught the art of homemaking and has always maintained a lovely home. As a very young child, she learned to play the piano and organ. She was called as primary organist at the age of eleven and one year later in 1920, she was called as the ward organist.

Arlene has always been very close to her Father in Heaven. As a young child of nine, she heard Melvin J. Ballard speak. That experience left her with a strong personal testimony of the reality of the Savior and divinity of His Church.

Arlene graduated from Clifton High School where she was active in the musicals and other productions. Then, because of her father's health, her family moved to Logan. Since their large family needed her support, she got a job in a music store demonstrating pianos and organs. She also was hired to play the organ at the Grand Theater for silent movies. She attended Brigham Young College and obtained her teaching certificate. Arlene, then 18, returned to Oxford, Idaho, to teach school. She taught for about a year when she suffered a ruptured appendix which almost

took her life. While recuperating from this ordeal she returned to Logan, where she was courted by Sylvester Anderson.

**MISSIONS TO CANADA**

Their first year of marriage was spent in Mendon, Utah, where Sylvester was principal of the Petersboro School. After the 1928-1929 school year, Sylvester was called on a mission to Canada. Arlene returned to Idaho where she again taught school. Because of the depression and her father's health, she continued to help support her large family of brothers and sisters. In 1931, after Sylvester had served many lonely months without a companion in Ottawa, Canada, Arlene was called on a mission and served with Sylvester for the remainder of his mission. While in Canada they were given a blessing by Melvin J. Ballard that they would be able to have a family, a possibility that the doctors thought was quite improbable.

Upon returning home from their mission, the country was in the midst of the great depression. Jobs were scarce, so even though Arlene was expecting their first of eight children, Sylvester enrolled at Utah State University. After much struggle and hardship he obtained his Bachelors Degree in education, the first college degree to be obtained by anyone in his family or community. Sylvester again obtained a job teaching in Mendon, where their second son was born. Sylvester was transferred to Millville, Utah, where he was principal of the school.

**BISHOP AT 29**

Sylvester was almost immediately called as Bishop of the Millville Ward. At age 29, he was one of the youngest Bishops then serving in the Church. Sylvester served as Bishop for 12 years, during which time the next five children were born. In 1946, Sylvester was called to the Hyrum Stake High Council.

**SILVER BEAVER AWARD**

Concurrently while on the High (Continued on page 18)



# Popular Choice for Individual Award is Adolph Johnson

Adolph Johnson was born in Mercur, Utah September 30, 1911 to Adolph and Frieda Swenson Johnson. His father was an early day carpenter.

After leaving school Adolph went to work for the Uintah Pipeline bringing natural gas from Green River Wyoming to Salt Lake City. Upon completion of the gas line, he purchased a truck and started a business of buying grain in Idaho and selling it in Utah.

In 1931 during the depression he met his wife, the former Elma Seal. They were married December 1, 1932 in Salt Lake City. The marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple. They have five children, three sons and two daughters; thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren who all live in Salt Lake Valley.

## "GENERAL" JOHNSON

In 1933, times were hard and it was difficult to find work. Adolph was hired by the United States Mine in Lark. At this time he met Apostle Merrill's son, Eugene, who nicknamed him "General Johnson" after General Hugo Johnson of the N.R.A. He is still known by this to many of his friends.

After nine years of working in the mine he was forced to leave due to an illness. He went to work in the building trade and became a licensed contractor. He worked on many of the older pioneer homes in Salt Lake County.

In 1948 he began working for the maintenance department of the Jordan School District. He was in charge of the painting department. He had the opportunity of training and working with many young men who were employed summers while attending college. This was a choice experience and gave him the ability to work with youth, which he greatly enjoys. He retired after twenty-five years in 1973 due to a health condition.

## CHURCH SERVICE

He served on many church and civic committees. He has served as Deacons Quorum teacher, chairman of Old Folks committee, counselor in Elders Quorum presidency and served on Stake home teaching committee at the time the Stake received the 100% award.



*Adolph Johnson is presented with Outstanding Individual Award plaque at Logan by Dr. Oliver R. Smith.*

He filled a two year Stake Mission with his wife and served as district president. He was recently advisor to the High Priest group leader. He was both vice-president, president and trek master of the Temple Quarry Chapter.

## TIRELESS IN SERVICE

Adolph was a vice-president for two terms on the national SUP board. While in this office he served as chairman of the Presidents banquet and programs, also for the Seminar and the Christmas parties.

He was then President-Elect when he was asked to help organize the South Davis Chapter of the S.U.P.

He was called by Marvin E. Smith to be a wagon master on the bus for the encampment at Lake Tahoe in 1974. The members were from northern Utah. He made friendships that have lasted through the years.

He has attended every national encampment since joining the SUP.

He was elected National President in 1975 at Kanab. This proved to be a most enjoyable experience. It was during this time Pioneer Village was moved to Lagoon and dedicated by (Continued on page 19)

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*Oliver Smith congratulates new president, Phil Robbins.*



*President Smith presents plaque for Outstanding Chapter, East Millcreek, to President John J. Nielsen.*

# LOGAN ENCAMPMENT



*Newly elected SUP officers.*



*D. Wesley Reese receives special award. His wife is Barbara.*

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# HIGHLIGHTS & AWARDS



For enrolling the most members, John J. Nielsen receives recognition. He is accompanied by his wife, Louise.



Special plaque is presented to Ray Knell. Seated by him is his wife, Clara.

## CANYON RIM HERITAGE CHAPTER

### Marathon in Review

One of the 1100 participants in the July 24th Deseret News Marathon was Trent D. McKittrick of the Canyon Rim Heritage chapter of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers. He had run other marathons up to 10 miles long but this 26 mile, 285 yard marathon taught him alot of things about his motivation that he didn't know before.

He says he started arguing with himself about 17 miles into the race with such statements as "This is ridiculous" and "I'm not going to keep going". It wasn't a matter of quitting but of doing something else that was alot more comfortable at the moment. It didn't bother him when men passed him and he got no ego lift out of passing others. He says the thought when he passed someone was only that his agony would end before theirs.

The single most important thing when he finished wasn't to get a drink or find some shade but to take his shoes off.

What prompted him to get into the race? He says "The Complete Book of Running" which was given to him by a fellow ward member, Scott Bringham, made him want to experience the emotions described there. Trent also felt that too many of us enjoy the fruits of a rich pioneer heritage without trying to understand



Photo by E. Kay Kirkham  
Canyon Rim Chapter Charter

the feelings they had. Trent is also an ex-marine because he felt the need to serve his country as did his father in World War II.

Trent says commitment is the thing that made him finish the marathon and he has committed himself to knock a whole hour off his time next year. He completed this marathon in 4 hours and 35 minutes, and was number 755 across the line at the end.

His life has moved along at a good pace since he came to the Uintah Basin from his native Montana for a summer job as a roughneck on a drilling crew in June of 1973. He heard the gospel and was baptized in September of 1973. He went back to Montana and baptized a special girl in April of 1974. He went on a mission to Switzerland in November of 1974.

He married that special girl in August of 1977 and they are now the parents of a 5 week old daughter. Trent sells real estate for Bagley and Company. His long range goal is to deal in agricultural real estate and ranch development back in his native Montana.

### CORRECTION:

President Harold B. Lee was born in Clifton, Idaho, not Clinton as printed in an earlier edition.

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# CHAPTER DOINGS

## SUGAR HOUSE

Our June meeting and dinner for the Sugar House chapter was held at the Pioneer Village Bowery at the Lagoon resort June 26, 1978. President Joseph Jeppson conducted the meeting in which several important matters were discussed and agreed upon. There were one hundred twenty-six members, companions and guests in attendance. Our usual good dinner was served to us in their speedy manner by Al's catering service. The tables were beautifully decorated by the appointed decorating committee.

Following the dinner and business meeting our President-Elect Doctor John A. Larsen introduced the program. A very appropriate subject was chosen by Ethel Sorensen (wife of Horace A. Sorensen) and presented by her. The Sorensens had made a study of the life and accomplishments of the famous Montana artist Charles M. Russell. It was very well done by Ethel in her calm, charming way. There seems to be no end to what the Sorensens have done for the Sons of Utah Pioneers. She introduced four of her grandchildren who are all brothers and sisters, to play and sing some of Mr. Russell's favorite cowboy songs. These four

entertainers are all students of the University of Utah. They are: Jan Sorensen Marshall, Barbara Sorensen, Kent Sorensen and Howard Sorensen.

On May 31st Dr. John A. Larsen arranged for Dr. David A. Shand to present a musical program that will be long remembered. These unusual musicians that Dr. Shand brought from the University of Utah where he is professor of music.

David Palmer - Trombone  
Elizabeth Palmer (his wife) - Violin  
Jeffery Manookin - Piano  
Alican Luke - Soprano

All four of these talented people with their performance complimented Dr. Shand who is a member of our Sugar House Chapter.

by Schley L. Brown

## MT. OGDEN CHAPTER

In April chapter members and their companions met at the Mansion House for another nice meal and an enjoyable evening. Guest speaker was Patriarch Eldred G. Smith who related many experiences of his great grandfather, Hyrum Smith, brother of the Prophet Joseph, and conditions under which the Saints were living at that time. A number of his great grandfather's personal items, such

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Canyon Rim Heritage chapter officers who were elected July 6 on charter night. Seated l. to r. are Pres. Arch J. Milczarek, Pres.-elect Quentin Palmer, 1st vice pres. Warren B. Brown, 2nd vice pres. Milton G. Widdison. Standing: 2 year directors Clinton Mott and C. Mack Dickson, 1 year directors Charles L. Glover & Jean W. McDonough, secretary Trent D. McKittrick, treasurer Orville A. Kranz, and chapter member Willis A. Chatterton.

## SIERRA CHAPTER NEWS

Monthly meeting of Sierra chapter started at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 22, 1978 at Buffet Excellence, 6501 Fair Oaks Blvd. in Carmichael. We heard ancestral biographics from three members of our chapter, Del Price, Norman Perry and Austin Hunt. Each will discuss the life and contributions of a particular ancestor as a part of our chapter's commemoration of Pioneer Day in the Sacramento Area. Guests are always welcome.

Dr. Evan K. Perkins, national vice president of the SUP participated in the relaying ceremony of the cornerstone of the California State Capitol Building on May 15, 1978. The original cornerstone was placed 117 years ago in 1861 and many artifacts were recovered from the time box. Dr. Perkins contributed two scriptural verses, D&C 1:38 and 39 for inclusion with other papers which were encased in the new cornerstone.

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### TEMPLE QUARRY

The Temple Quarry chapter held their annual birthday party June 8, 1978 at Lagoon. A catered chicken dinner was enjoyed by 109 members and their wives. A musical program was presented by the Butterfield family at the Echo Church. The Lagoon Band furnished music for dancing and the enjoyment of all after which the group toured Pioneer Village. President Eugene Drake and his vice presidents were in charge of the affair.

The Temple Quarry chapter annual summer chicken dinner was August 10, 1978 at the Riverton Park. Met at the Ken Rasmussen home in Riverton from four until six p.m. to see his private collection of antiques. Then to the park for the chicken dinner at 6:30 p.m.

The Temple Quarry chapter appreciated the National Society and all the hard work that went into the Encampment in Logan. We had 20 couples all dressed in green at the banquet. It had the largest representation of any chapter.

W. Phil Robbins, a chapter member was elected President of the National Society.

Glen Greenwood, another chapter member and our trek chairman was elected to national vice president. Adolph Johnson won honors of being the Outstanding Individual. Thanks to all who planned and turned out for the great event.

- Gene Drake

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Artist stands by his work: Lyle W. Beddes, "Exodus to Greatness" monument at Nauvoo.



Happy trekkers enroute home.



George A. Ford, historian

## Mt. Ogden Chapter

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as his sword, compass, glasses, etc. were available for display. Everyone enjoyed the evening and appreciation is extended to Elder Smith for meeting with us.

A very interesting trek was taken in May by chapter members and their families to the eleven original fort sites located in Weber County. Guidance and a history of each site was given by William J. Critchlow 3rd, who had made an extensive study of each. The eleven involved were Uintah Fort, Kingston Fort, Browns Fort, Fort Buena Ventura, Ogden Fort, Goodyear Cabin, Farr's Fort, Mound Fort, Bingham's Fort, North Ogden Fort and Huntsville Fort. Brother Critchlow was instrumental in having many of these forts placed on canvas by prominent artists as part of the bicentennial celebration.

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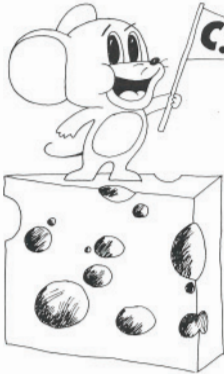
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- 245 Leland M. Perry  
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## Outstanding Couple

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Council, he served as Scout Master of the Millville Ward, where he had a profound effect on the lives of hundreds of young men.

In 1953, he had the opportunity of being a leader to the World Jamboree; and in 1956, he was given the Cache Valley Council's highest honor, the Silver Beaver.

In 1947, Sylvester transferred to South Cache High School where he taught business and history classes. He also spent many hours of his own time coaching young men in athletics and directing school drama productions.

### NOW SAMOA

In 1960, Sylvester and Arlene were asked to go to American Samoa to help open a high school for the Church. Feeling that this was an opportunity to do some pioneering and missionary work they answered the call and with their three unmarried children left for the South Seas.

While in Samoa, their home was the gathering place for any missionary or visitor who was in need of a meal or a bed.

### EXCELS AS COACH

Arlene was the secretary of the high school while Sylvester taught health and P.E. He had previously coached on a part-time basis and used that experience to develop teams in baseball and basketball, and was undefeated during his three years there. The athletic field at Mapusage High School was named in his honor.

When they returned to the States in 1963, Sylvester taught for one year and was principal for six years at Preston High School. Arlene returned to Utah State University at the age of 55. At the graduation in June of 1966, she received her bachelor's degree in education and Sylvester received his master's degree in educational administration. Arlene taught school in Preston, Idaho, until 1970 when they both retired.

Nine months prior to their retirement, they were called as officiators in the Logan Temple. They served diligently for six years, one of which they were the ordinance supervisors.

### A CHOICE FAMILY

As previously mentioned, Sylvester and Arlene have eight children. They are Rodney L., Sunset; Lamar C., Burley, Idaho; S. Clark, Lyman, Wyoming; Mrs. M. Boyd (LaRene) Keller, Layton; Milton C., Bountiful; Mrs. Keith O. (Lorna) Eggleston, Lakewood, Colorado; Arlo W., Bountiful; and Mrs. Wayne T. (Dora Jean) Johnson, St. Anthony, Idaho.

All their children have been married in the temple, are responsible citizens and community and church leaders. To date, their children have given them 44 grandchildren. They now spend their time traveling to visit their large family, participating in the activities of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers, doing temple work, gardening and fishing.

But true to their lifelong dedication of service to their Lord and fellowmen, both are still actively involved in their Ward. Sylvester is currently serving as financial clerk of the Logan 5th Ward and Sunday School inservice teacher. Arlene still shares her musical talent and is ward spiritual living teacher in the Relief Society.

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## Adolph Johnson

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President Spencer W. Kimball.

President Kimball attended the Christmas party and received a plaque when he was made an honorary lifetime member.

A committee was formed to select a place for the new home and headquarters for the SUP.

He was also on the committee that raised the monies to build the "All is Well" monument.

At this time the U.S. Mormon Battalion was given a charter to become a chapter.

In 1976 the Sons of the Utah Pioneers put an entry in the Days of '47 parade.

Adolph traveled to St. George upon invitation from Elder Tom Perry to the dedication of Brigham Young's Winter home and the Jacob Hamblin home.

### STILL VERY BUSY

He is presently serving as chairman of the new home committee, Lagoon committee, and was a member of the nominating committee. He is the co-chairman representing the SUP for the Day's of '47. Also co-chairman of the past national presidents.

He is very conscientious and devotes much time in positions he is called.

He enjoys working in his yard and keeping his home attractive. His grandchildren spend many hours with him where they follow his example in caring for animals, making wood articles and just doing things together. He is known as "grandpa can fix anything".

He loves his home and family. Also the friends he has made through his SUP participation.

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# Chapter Eternal

## Elias L. Day

Elias L. Day, 81, prominent attorney and former state senator, died July 16, 1978, in Salt Lake City.

Born Sept. 1, 1896, Draper, to Elias J. and Olive Miller Day. Married Gertrude J. VanLeeuwen on Aug. 22, 1923, Salt Lake LDS Temple. Member, Wells LDS Stake Presidency 13 years. Organized the first scout troop in Draper. State governor candidate twice. Served as state senator 12 years. Served LDS mission to western states, 1921-22.

Survivors: wife; sons, Dr. William Henry Day, Tahlequah, Okla.; Dr. John Marshal Day, Menlo Park, Calif.; daughter Mrs. Ray C. (Trudy) Edvalson, Salt Lake City; 7 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; brothers, H. Miller and Wendell C. Day; sisters, Mrs. George (Marie) Barber, Mrs. Roy (Geneva) West, all of Salt Lake City.

Speakers included Elder Mark E. Petersen, Sheldon R. Brewster and Harold H. Jensen.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the Mormon Battalion under the direction of Col. Elmer B. Jones.

Military graveside rites under direction of the Utah National Guard.



## Members Deceased Since 1977 Encampment

W. T. Stucki	August 4, 1977	Sugarhouse
Joseph Wm. Johnson	June 18, 1977	Buena Ventura
Garr David Lester	August 26, 1977	Murray
Clawson Y. Cannon	November 3, 1977	Brigham Young
Dr. John E. Gleave		Salt Lake
Elroy J. Christensen	November 4, 1977	Salt Lake
Richard G. Welch	December 18, 1977	Sugarhouse
James Roy Barker	December 23, 1977	Temple Fork
Joel P. Jensen	January 21, 1978	Pioneer
Lorenzo Roskelley	December 22, 1977	Sierra
Heber C. Bird	January 31, 1978	East Mill Creek
Delbert W. Smedley	March 17, 1978	Sugarhouse
Evan Homer	March 27, 1978	Temple Quarry
William M. Foxley	March 1978	Brigham Young
Denzil E. Watts	1978	Murray
Barlow F. Muir	April 13, 1978	Taylorville-Bennion
Bayard N. Robison	April 18, 1978	East Mill Creek
Lyle D. Webster	April 23, 1978	Temple Quarry
Walter K. Granger	April 21, 1978	Cedar City
Blaine F. Thorpe		Brigham Young
Dr. Reed W. Farnsworth	1978	Cedar City
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